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Senior Policy Advisor Bob Aal in the Crisis Management, Peace Support Operations and Military and Civil Cooperation Division confirmed the Dutch plan to attend the inaugural meeting of the Contact Group on Somalia Piracy (CGSP) proposed for January 13 and 14 in New York. Pol-Mil Officer delivered points from reftel on December 23. Aal reiterated Dutch support for the CGSP concept and appreciation for the invitation for the Dutch to be a charter member of the group.

He was not able to confirm the level of representation at the meeting and will provide inputs on the agenda after review and discussion within the Ministry.

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